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To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to register my opinion that the proposed Microsoft settlement is insufficient as currently constructed to effectively ensure a free and competitive PC market.

In reading the text of and various commentaries on the settlement, I am struck by the number of loopholes left in the settlement due to improper or misleading definitions of "API", "Microsoft Middleware", and "Windows Operating System Product". Acceptance of the settlement with such loopholes would leave it effectively without teeth.

I encourage the DOJ to review any number of well-reasoned criticisms available on the web, written by technical experts rather than lawyers, and which offer a "common sense" understanding of the limitations of the remedy as currently constructed.

(One excellent such resource is: http://www.kegel.com/remedy/remedy2.html)

I urge the DOJ to withdraw its consent to the proposed settlement.

Sincerely, David A Golden New York, NY

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